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Attached is teh 1449 form for 10/040,963. When possible, could you please review it and initial the 1449 sent on 3/15/2004?

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For the application S/N 10/040,963, we received a Notice of Allowance mailed on 10/14/2004. Thank you for this Notice of Allowance. However, we noticed that your initials are not next to the references on the 1449 Form of our IDS submitted on 3/15/2004. We are including this 1449 Form along with the return receipt postcard for your review in this fax. If possible, please initial the 1449 form to indicate that you have considered them. If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Regards,

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